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SUPPLEMENT

1. According to source, Nicholas Zachariades and Miltiades Porphyrogenis, two Greek Communist leaders, announced at the Communist Party Congress at Strasbourg the formation of a free Greek Republican Government, claiming that they were acting upon the expressed desire of the Greek people. They thus avoided any charge that the Yugoslavs, Bulgarians or Albanians were responsible for the announcement of this government. Source says, however, that the headquarters of the Greek Communists is probably in Belgrade.
2. Zachariades and Porphyrogenis took part in all foreign affairs committee meetings of the French Communist Party and had numerous conferences with Jacques Duclos, Andre Marty, Achille Papazian, Auguste Havez (Administrative Secretary of the French Communist Party), Pierre Laffitte (private secretary of Duclos) and Edward Kowalski* (Secretary General of the Centre d'Action pour la Defense des Immigres). Source stated that Papazian acts under the direct orders of Marty, reportedly the organizer of the international brigades in France. (see [redacted]) 25X1A2g
3. According to source, Zachariades came to Paris at the end of the war from a Nazi concentration camp and announced privately that he would come to an agreement with the Republican General Plastiras. However, the French Communist Party published attack against Plastiras in Humanite, thus causing the Greek Republicans to distrust the Communists.
4. Zachariades and Porphyrogenis have reportedly left France. A well informed Communist source stated that it is possible Zachariades is in Moscow.

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*See report [redacted] which states that Kowalski is a member of a "secret" committee organized to give aid to Greece. He is reportedly in close contact with Georgiou, Binlaris and others who are active in organizing international brigades in France.

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